

Modernize Roads, Bridges, Transit and Waterways: To build a 21st century economy, we must create jobs rebuilding our crumbling roads and bridges, modernizing public buildings, and putting people to work cleaning up our air, water and land.

- Modernizing Roads and Bridges
- Provides \$27.5 billion for modernizing roads and bridges. This investment creates jobs in the short term while saving commuters time and money in the long term.
- Requires states to obligate at least half of the highway/bridge funding within 120 days.
- States have over 6,100 projects totaling over \$64 billion that could be under contract within 180 days.

- Improving Public Transit and Rail
- Provides \$8.4 billion for investments in transit and \$8 billion for investment in high-speed rail. These investments will reduce traffic congestion and our dependence on foreign oil.

- Includes funds for new construction of commuter and light rail, modernizing existing transit systems, and purchasing buses and equipment to needed to increase public transportation and improve intermodal and transit facilities.
- States have 787 ready-to-go transit projects totaling about \$16 billion.

- Prioritizing Clean Water/Flood Control/Environmental Restoration
- Provides \$19 billion for clean water, flood control, and environmental restoration investments, which will create more hundreds of thousands of jobs.
- Experts note that \$16 billion in water projects could be quickly obligated.

- Modernizing Public Infrastructure, Including To Achieve Major Energy Cost Savings
- Provides billions to modernize federal and other public infrastructure with investments that lead to long-term energy cost savings, including about \$4.2 billion to make improvements in DOD facilities, including housing for our troops and about \$4.5 billion to make federal office buildings more energy-efficient in order to achieve long-term savings for taxpayers.

- Buy America
- Provides that all government projects funded by the recovery plan must use U.S. iron, steel and manufactured goods -- unless it violates obligations under World Trade Organization or U.S. free trade agreements or a federal agency head waives the requirement because of costs or non-availability.